

Fast Food Fax

JAN 17, 2005

Trade sentiment was steady to fully steady. Demand was moderate to instances good. In the parts complex, breast items were in close balance to tight. Dark meat cuts were generally sufficient. Wings were in good balance. Weights were mixed but mostly desirable.

The "SOURCE" of Poultry and Egg Market Information

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Young Chickens Slaughtered under Federal Inspection Classified by Weight, WEEKENDING: Jan 01, 2005

	FOOD SERVICE/			
	<u>FAST FOOD</u>	<u>RETAIL</u>	<u>DEBONING</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
Weight Range	4.20 & Down	4.21 - 5.25	5.26 & Up	----
Total (000)	25,548	14,092	40,006	79,646
Percentage	32%	18%	50%	100%

Fast Food and Food Service Sizes

<u>Live Weights</u>	<u>RTC WOG Weights</u>	<u>No. of Head (000)</u>	<u>Percentage of Total Slaughter</u>
3.60 lbs. & Lighter	Under 2 lbs., 8 oz.	3,285	4.12
3.61 - 3.80 lbs.	2 lbs., 8 oz. - 2 lbs., 10 oz.	5,717	7.18
3.81 - 4.00 lbs.	2 lbs., 10 oz., -2 lbs., 12 oz.	8,342	10.47
4.01 - 4.20 lbs.	2 lbs., 12 oz. - 2 lbs., 14 oz.l	8,204	10.30
		25,548	32.07

BROILER EGG SET CHICKS PLACED IN 19 STATES COMPARED WITH U.S. BROILER SLAUGHTER

Slaughter Week	Egg Sets		Chic ks Placed		Eggs Set 10 Weeks Previous		Chicks Placed 7 Weeks Previous		Prelim. Fed. Insp. Million head Slaughtered	
	(000)	% *	(000)	% *	(000)	% *	(000)	% *	(000)	% * *
Nov 13	205,065	100	161,196	104	209,488	104	171,518	105	161,965	102
Nov 20	206,701	101	162,724	104	202,794	104	166,798	105	156,060	96
Nov 27	209,690	100	167,598	102	197,409	102	161,147	102	117,717	75
Dec 04	208,631	102	171,017	102	201,409	103	164,803	103	162,589	138
Dec 11	209,455	101	171,742	103	200,166	103	165,107	104	159,818	98
Dec 18	210,893	103	173,336	102	202,866	103	165,948	104	159,224	100
Dec 25	210,007	102	170,610	101	196,263	105	162,009	105	125,118	79
an 01	210,659	102	172,321	102	194,298	102	162,389	105	137,675	110
an 08	211,371	102	173,506	104	197,554	103	163,047	104	160,263	116

Data in bold are subject to revision *Percent of previous year **Percent change from previous week

Whole Broiler/Fryers (cents/lb.)

Week of 01/17/05

	Majority	Current Week	Previous Week	Year Ago
NEW YORK Grade A Ice-packed	69-72	7121	71.08	72.26
CHICAGO Grade A Ice-packed	63-66	67.01	66.95	68.57
LOS ANGELES Grade A Ice-packed	79	78.35	77.85	74.45
12-CITY COMPOSITE Weighted Avg.		72.05	72.01	69.79
GEORGIA DOCK FOB Wtd. Avg. (Wed Dock 73.25)		72.35	72.30	69.02
SOUTHERN STATES FOB Whole Body 5 Day Avg.		45.32	44.22	60.43

Broiler/Fryer Parts (cents/lb.)

Weekly Weighted Average

	Northeast (Delivered)	Southern States (FOB)	Georgia (FOB)
	01/14/05	01/14/05	01/17/05
Breast - B/S	131.63	130.82	146.50
Tenderloins	111.54	118.97	161.50 (Line run)
Breast - Line Run	71.72	73.86	76.50 (Whole)
Leg Quarters	28.71	26.75	31.00
Wings	123.62	117.06	117.00